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HOG PRODUCTION SITUATION IS NOW "ALARMING"—Hugh Allen

Marketings Down 30 per cent--Ottawa Concerned

A.L.C. PRESIDENT URGES IMMEDIATE, VIGOROUS ACTION

Is Essential "If Canada Seriously
Intends to Retain British
Bacon Market"

"FIVE ESSENTIAL STEPS"

Hogs Should Be Adjusted "to Fair
Ratio With Grain Prices,"
States Allen

Expressing regret that "no definite indication has been given by the Federal Government that they really desire to reverse" the present downward trend in hog production, Hugh W. Allen, President of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative, in a statement received by *The Western Farm Leader* suggests five essential steps which he considers necessary at this time "if the interests of Canadian Agriculture are to be protected."

Mr. Allen points out that while it is true that the Federal Minister of Agriculture, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, has declared, "We want all the hogs we can get", yet unfortunately, "current grain prices talk louder than the Minister". The President of the A.L.C. further quotes L. W. Pearsall, Secretary-Manager of the Canadian Meat Board, to the effect that—

"the long term supply of hogs in the final analysis be determined by the relationship of hog prices to grain prices, and will also be further influenced by the relative returns that can be secured from hog production as compared with prevailing prices for other farm commodities."

Five-point Program

The five-point program proposed by Mr. Allen is as follows:

"1. The Government should announce that it is their desire to increase Canadian hog production to the level of 1944—or whatever volume is decided upon.

"2. In order to bring this about the basic price for hogs should be adjusted to a fair ratio with grain prices, sufficiently high to make hog production equally attractive.

"3. To prevent further liquidation of breeding stock, a ban should be placed on the shipment of brood sows that show signs of being in pig. This ban should possibly apply for a time to all brood sows.

"4. A price differential should be established between winter raised litters and summer pigs, since the cost of the winter pigs is obviously higher.

"5. That an attempt be made to select from shipments into packing plants a certain number of the best type of young sows for breeding purposes, these to be distributed to the producers through government agencies."

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In Britain's Darkest--and Finest--Hour



This is not a new picture. It is more than five years old. Yet none could be more timely, for it reminds us, as Victory draws near, of the days when the people of Britain held in their hands the fate of the world—and saved the world by their courage and steadfastness and their example. The photograph was taken in London in September, 1940, and depicts a group of members of the Home Guard preparing resolutely but cheerfully to meet the threatened German invasion. It is worthy of note that a lance-corporal of Britain's Home Guard of the early days of this war, is now, at more than sixty years of age, the commander, with the rank of major general, of the famous 79th Armored Division made up of expert engineers who operate the most modern and weird of mechanical monstrosities aiding the British and Canadian infantry in Western Germany.

Loan Objective

The objective for the forthcoming Eighth Victory Loan has been set at \$1,350,000,000—the highest so far.

at \$27,914,556, in the budget presented last week by Premier Manning (who is also Provincial Treasurer) and estimated expenditures are \$24,271,511.

The Federal Government will pay into Alberta an estimated \$18,213,000 year of the Province are estimated a year in family allowances.

DROP HEAVIER IN EAST THAN WEST, STATISTICS SHOW

Decline Will Be to Disadvantage
of Farmers, State Ottawa
Authorities

LARGE BACON SALES

Value Wartime Sales of All Pork
Products to Britain
\$573,000,000

By M. McDougall
(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)
OTTAWA, Mar. 14th.—The decline in hog production in this country in recent weeks has led to some concern. If allowed to continue indefinitely, Canadian farmers, it is held, will undoubtedly regret it. Judged by a simple yardstick, a bushel of feed grain in the shape of bacon produced by it has paid in the past generally very considerably better than it does in its native state as grain; but there is of course in addition the consideration of maintaining our position in the main market for bacon, Great Britain, which has contracted to take the entire surplus of bacon produced in 1945 and 1946.

Heavy Decline in Marketings
Hog marketings have shown a decline of slightly over 30 per cent in the first two months of this year compared with the same period of 1944. The drop has not been so pronounced in the Western Provinces as in the Eastern, being 28.3 per cent, while 36.2 was the percentage east of the great lakes. The cause of the present decline may be found, it is stated, here, back in 1943, before the introduction of the present premiums and when improved prices for general farm commodities lessened the attractiveness of hog feeding.

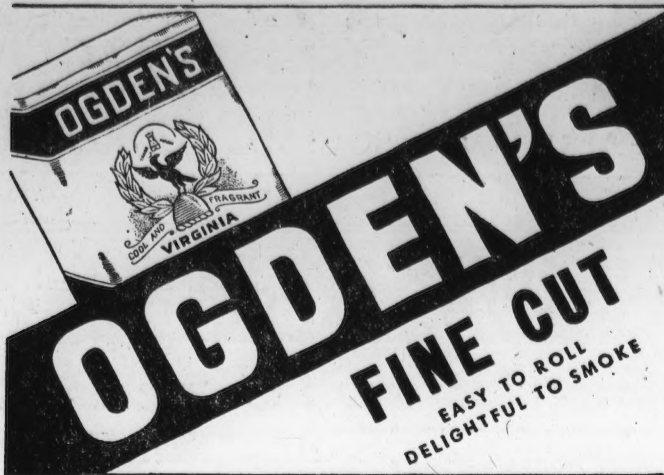
During the past few months, how-

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As Russian Troops Form Ring Around Königsberg



Received in New York from Moscow, Königsberg in East Prussia. Today, the above picture shows men of the Soviet guns are beating out a requiem for this city, capital of the province through a village on the outskirts of which has been the home of many the northern Russian armies.



YOUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ...

Before spring work starts, every U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and Junior Local should complete its membership drive.

Because of tire and gas shortages, it is necessary that membership be secured largely by the efforts of the Locals themselves.

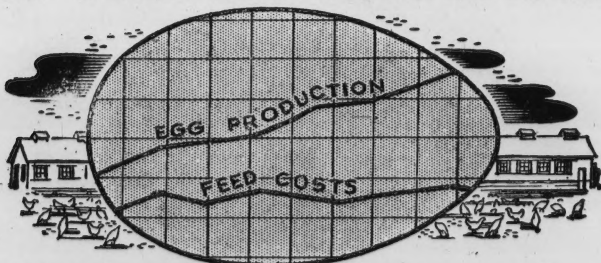
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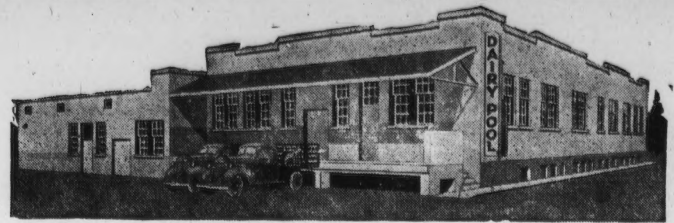
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SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION



RURAL ELECTRIFICATION IN ALBERTA

By CHRIS. TOPPENBERG

Below is printed the fourth and concluding section of Mr. Toppenberg's recent address to the Knights of the Round Table in Calgary, upon a subject of major importance to rural people of this Province.

During this entire discussion, we have been concerned about what we feel the Alberta farm family should have available, because we feel they deserve it, and because we realize the wisdom of supporting any plans which would tend to improve our farming conditions, and to make the farm home a place equally as attractive as the urban home, if not more so. I fail, however, entirely to find any trace of firm demands from the farmers, spoken with a voice of representative unity, for these things.

Will Farmers Tackle Co-operatively?

Of course the farm folks want it; will they eventually tackle the problem co-operatively, such as they have successfully done in many other fields of endeavor? Certainly they would not wish to be the subject of sheer pity on the part of urban people, and would not expect to have their lot improved upon, without they themselves lending a hand. They have not been used to getting anything, unless they got together and organized for unity of action, mainly through the formation of Co-operative Associations.

Can Learn From U.S. Experience

No doubt it will be done, and we might learn a great deal from what has been accomplished in the United States, along the lines of organizing co-operative local power districts. The Rural Electrification Administration, U.S.A. Dept. of Agriculture, makes loans and assists in organizing local co-operative power districts. The operating history of the R.E.A. Co-operatives reflect a very large degree of success.

From funds advanced in 1936, amounting to \$823,262 to 11 districts or systems, connecting 693 consumers, the amount in advances has increased to \$364,324,196 in 1942, to 803 systems, with 1,012,284 consumers connected, and from 400 miles of lines in 1936 to 378,015 miles in 1942.

The financial success of these developments appears to be equally satisfactory. This should be an inspiration to our Alberta farmers, who are becoming increasingly aware of the advantages of associating themselves with already existing Co-operative organizations, and of organizing new ones in many fields. We may be sure that we shall hear from themselves in due course.

Personally, I expect great things from the younger generation of farm people. Many a boy, who today works in factories in the city, or who serves overseas, longs at heart to be back to the old homestead. He will go there if given reasonable encouragement. Any promotional plans offered by our Government will be accepted in the right spirit, and these boys, and girls as well, who lived their childhood on the farm, still dream about making it the place the old man never could. They would likely want to see the old folks able to retire and enjoy modern comforts, without having to see them buy a house in the city for the achievement of this goal.

Young People and New Ideas

These young people will bring back with them new ideas and ambitions, for they have gained immense know-

ledge and experience during their absence, as have also those who stayed on the farm. They are not mainly concerned about what they can earn, but are willing and able to improve home life, develop community and recreational activities, and to become better farmers. They deserve a big hand, and I think it most encouraging that so much attention is given these subjects related to improving farm life, by city dwellers and people in all walks of life.

We are fast approaching a mutual understanding of each other's problems, wherever we live. I think it a very happy sign of the times and one which speaks well of the future developments of our national life.

The Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, with headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, had over \$103,000,000 insurance in force at the close of 1944.

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Don't Experiment With Lubricating Oils

Part II

You can easily satisfy yourself on this point by making a simple experiment. Take say, four small cans. In the first put a quantity of new oil; in the second put a quantity of used oil; in the third put a quantity of new oil diluted with a percentage of kerosene or distillate; and in the fourth can put a quantity of the used oil, likewise diluted. Next, take four clean spikes; place one in each can and let stand for a few moments and then lift them in turn and observe how the oil drains off each spike. This will give you a true picture of what will take place in your engine with the use of the different oils; it should also be borne in mind that under operating temperature of the engine the rate of flow of the oil will be considerably higher and its ability to cling to the surface less. To complete this experiment, dip the thumb and forefinger in the new oil; get the feel of the oil by rubbing the tip of the forefinger on the thumb, then wipe off the oil and do likewise with the contents of the other cans.

An Analogy

To give a final illustration. The use of oil of good "body" and oil of poor "body" is analogous to walking down a stony or newly-gravelled road with a good stout-soled pair of boots on, and then walking down the same road with a pair of thin-soled shoes or slippers. In the first case friction between the soles of the feet and the stones of the road is practically eliminated by the adequate thickness of leather, but in the second case the poor protective film of leather will make the walk decidedly uncomfortable and will permit the feet to be bruised. And so it is between metal-to-metal surfaces.

Oil Filters

A question I am often asked by farmers is, "Do you think I should install an oil filter on my tractor?" and my answer is an emphatic "Yes". Some makers of tractors fit an oil filter as standard equipment, while

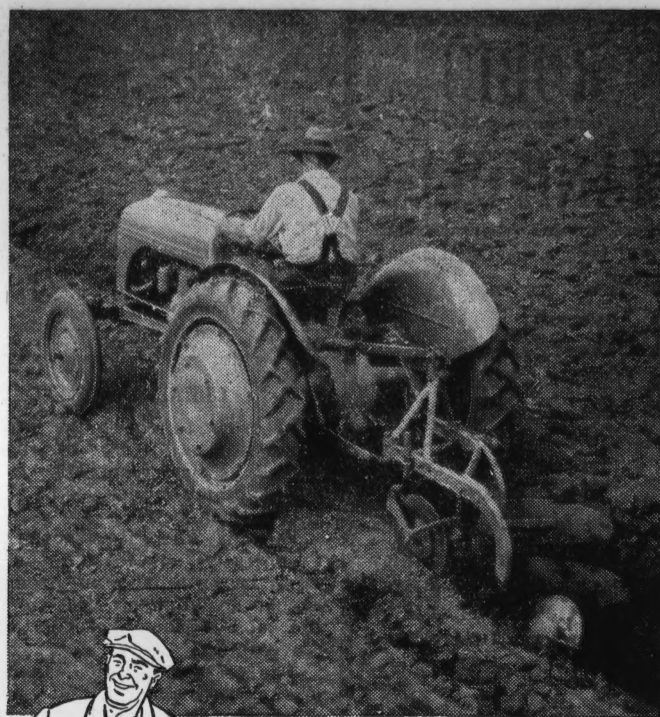
others do not, apparently thinking the attachment is unnecessary on that particular machine.

Where there is a high degree of humidity, with the result that there is very little dust in suspension in the atmosphere, I am prepared to admit that where ample provisions are made for cleansing the intake air an oil filter is not a necessity providing the oil is changed *as soon as it gets dirty*. Please note that I do not say that the oil should be changed at any stated period of work hours, but that it should be changed when it *needs* changing. This is a very important point and one that is too often overlooked. Too many operators pin their faith on the "hours" principle, and as a result many engines run for a more or less extended period on oil that is totally unsuitable. We don't wash our hands and faces and eating utensils by the clock, do we? We clean them when it becomes necessary, and this is the principle that should be applied to lubricating oil.

Vital Necessity Here

Out here in Western Canada, where the atmosphere is dry and a lot of dust is almost continually held in suspension, I consider an oil filter a vital necessity for the air cleaner simply cannot eradicate all this dust from the intake air. In proof of this I would cite the fact that one large concern, which has many tractors through its repair shops in the course of a year, finds that where an oil filter is installed the engine is clean inside, while where there is no filter, pounds and pounds of sludgy slime are present.

There are two kinds of filters which can be installed. One type removes the suspended matter in the oil by means of a filter element of cotton or some other agent, and this is the least expensive type. The other type of filter is not only designed to remove the sediment in the lubricating oil but also to remove (by heat or other means) the most dangerous contaminating agent of all, which is ACID. Acid in lubricating oil is something that is all too often forgotten or overlooked by the operator just because it is invisible, but it is this same acid which attacks bearings and other parts, and which is far more dangerous to machinery than the sludge and slime which can be seen.



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Driving When Conditions Are Adverse

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MUST OBTAIN APPROVAL

Before disposing of used, ration-type farm machinery in the hope of obtaining permits to buy new machinery, farmers must obtain approval of the district farm machinery rationing officer, states W. C. Trimble, of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

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CLEAR POLICY CALLED FOR

In order to check the present decline in hog production and ensure expansion—if expansion be desired, as there seems to be reason to believe it is—the Dominion authorities at Ottawa should at once give a clear lead.

Hugh W. Allen, President of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative, sets forth in this issue of *The Western Farm Leader* a five point program which he believes should be adopted. We commend this policy to the most serious consideration of the Dominion Government.

The present situation, as Mr. Allen points out, gives cause for alarm. "If Canadian supply fails to meet British demand at this time," he states, "Britain may turn to other sources and the golden opportunity will have passed. It would seem that this hesitation and confusion as to production policy on the part of the Government and the producer comes at a very critical moment. Most certainly, if there is hesitation now, there can be little hope of regaining lost ground later."

Mr. Allen has a word for the producers themselves. Provided the Dominion Government will give a real lead, he states, the producers should in his judgment "make a real effort to reverse the present downward trend"; and he adds, "It is obviously in their own interest to do so."

He believes that the Government, by vigorous action, should seek to "awaken the producer to the necessity that is facing him", and he warrantably points out that "the Government cannot accomplish this alone", but that "there are many vitally interested bodies who are only too willing to assist if the Government will give the lead and create those fundamental conditions which are necessary to success."

We are satisfied that an early response by the Government to Mr. Allen's appeal would prove to be in the interests alike of the producers and of the economic well-being of Canada as a whole.

"STUDY ACTION PROGRAM"

Albertans who know Watson Thomson and remember the record of his work in the field of adult education in this Province, have rejoiced to know that he is in charge of the new Adult Education Division of the Saskatchewan Department of Education. They will not be surprised to learn that the keynote idea of the Division under his direction will be, "No study without subsequent action, no action without previous study."

The program will not concern itself with academic credits or with subjects, but will be centred "on the actual issues and problems of social living here and now"; for, says Watson Thomson, "the average man doesn't want to study the history of medicine in the abstract; but when he begins to ask why he can't have a decent hospital in his own district, and get together with his neighbors to find out some way of getting one, he is ready to learn some history and medicine, as well as some social and economic history of Western Canada, and a few other related subjects."

To find out what the real needs and interests of the people are, we are informed, "the Study Action program will be conducted through a number of field men who will make it their business to know their own communities intimately and to find out

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*It gave our pioneers in their beginning
The courage nameless hardships to withstand,
And armed them for the long and arduous winning
Of this immense and once forbidding land.
It pooled the time and strength of friends and neighbors
When men and tools were pitifully few,
And lightened all the burden of the labors
Attendant on the task that was to do.*

*Now in new garb the spirit thus engendered
Is hovering about our efforts still,
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From vast reserves of brotherly goodwill.
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the 'growing points' where groups of citizens are getting ready to take joint action to meet a felt need." Members of the staff of the division will live in the communities they serve, where accommodation will be found for "a district public information library, district film library, a reading room with significant current periodicals, and up-to-date pamphlets, a library of musical recordings. This will change radically the under-privileged condition of the rural areas in regard to cultural resources."

The Division will co-operate with Government Departments, the University, Wheat Pool field staffs, and similar bodies.

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We cannot describe the plan in greater detail; but a few of Watson Thomson's own comments on the program may be quoted, as indicating the spirit and intention of those who will carry it out:

"The strange thing is (or is it strange?) that the idea of giving people educationally what they want is sometimes regarded as dangerous and sometimes as wicked. For many, the belief in Original Sin outweighs their faith in 'the People'. 'All we can say is that, so far as the direction of the Provincial Study-Action Program is concerned, faith in 'the people' is our preferred and deliberate faith."

Watson Thomson believes that the work of the Division can be done "without dogmatism, without imposition or indoctrination", though "not without some of those old-fashioned qualities of wisdom and humility"; and concludes, "What we are quite certain of is that it is better the educator should risk imposing his own ideas than that he should go out to the people empty of faith or vision or convictions of any kind."

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"STRANGE QUALITY IN MAN"

"There is indeed a strange and remarkable quality in man, that although in his daily life he is commonly ruled by self-interest, he will undertake no great and perdurable task unless it be for the sake of others and in furtherance of some idea."—From Eric Linklater's *Rabelais Replies*.

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"OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE"

"The liquidation of feudalism in the agricultural economy of central and eastern Europe is a development of major importance in world history."—Fritz Sternberg, in *Common Sense*.

Enthusiasm Shown at U.F.A. Meetings Held in Central Alberta

Excellent Sound Pictures Shown at Meetings—Leading Speakers Take Part

Interest and enthusiasm marked the series of meetings held recently by the U.F.A. in the central part of the Province. Those held between February 27th and March 10th were attended by a total of over 1,200 persons, in spite of difficult conditions of side roads. The up-to-date sound equipment of the U.F.A. Co-operative is being used to present an excellent two-hour showing of moving pictures, and brief talks by representatives of the U.F.A. and its branches round out the program.

For part of the series, the whole U.F.A. family was represented on the roster of speakers: Mrs. M. E. Lowe, vice-president of the U.F.W.A., Clinton Swallow, Junior Director, John Storeh, first vice-president of the Junior Branch, J. A. Cameron, U.F.A. Director, and D. C. Thornton, of the U.F.A. Co-operative. Lawrence Proudfoot, second vice-president, represented the Juniors at other meetings.

In the Lacombe district, meetings were held at Lincoln Hall, Lakeside Hall, Forshee and Spruceville, where a Junior Local was formed with 14 members.

High School Students Attend

Following the Stettler meeting, a U.F.A. Local was formed with 66 members; another feature of this meeting

Yet "Free Enterprisers" Say Public Ownership Is Inefficient System

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—This city, along with others of the Tennessee Valley, has been making an extraordinary record since acquiring its municipal light and power plant and buying its power from the T.V.A. It has reduced rates almost one-half, and has saved its citizens over \$13,000,000 in the first five years of operation—more than the city paid for the properties.

was the attendance of over 40 High School students to see the co-operative picture "Here Is Tomorrow".

At Big Valley, a large crowd turned out, and here, again, a Junior Local was formed, with 32 members. Junior Locals were also organized at Delia, Endiang and Byemore.

Other good meetings were held at Rowley, where much interest is being shown in establishing a branch co-op store, and at Morrin, where plans have been laid to open a branch co-op as soon as possible. The series also included meetings at Linda Hall, Rumsey, and Craigmyle. Further meetings are planned for the latter part of this week in the Youngstown, Oyen and Sibbald districts.

Great Diversion Project Planned for Red Deer River

\$675,000,000 Scheme Will Provide for Irrigation of 500,000 Acres

At an estimated cost of \$675,000,000, construction of the Red Deer River Diversion Project, which is one of the Federal post-war undertakings now being considered, will require the labor of 1,500 men for a year and a half. E. L. Gray, superintendent of water development, P.F.R.A., told a meeting of officers and directors of East Central Irrigation Association, in Hanna recently.

The project includes damming of the Red Deer at a point near Erskine, and diverting water, by means of a canal, to Hamilton Lake—a dry lake bed which would provide storage of water sufficient to irrigate some 500,000 acres. The plan calls for raising Buffalo Lake to its original high level so that water could be held in reserve and fed back into the Red Deer to maintain a constant flow during the summer months.

By bringing water for irrigation to land lying between the Red Deer and the Coronation line of the C.P.R., it is estimated that about 7,500 additional families would be added to the present population of the district. At about one-fifteenth the cost of the Pearce plan, it is believed that the project would bring much the same results.

James Cameron, Youngstown, president of the East Central Irrigation Association, was in the chair.

To Beautify Mounds

Tree planting of dugout mounds is strongly recommended by John Walker, superintendent of the Indian Head Forest Nursery Station, in order to improve the appearance of these landmarks. Acute willow is recommended for the lower levels of the mound, green ash for the middle area, and caragana for the higher ground.

Developed From Penicillin

LONDON.—A new development of penicillin, known as Hypholin, has been used with marked success in the treatment of meningitis, pneumonia, septicaemia, and air-raid casualties. This drug is cheaper to produce than penicillin and will soon be available on a large scale for civilian patients.

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Editor's Introductory Note: Reviewing the sittings of the McDougall Royal Commission on taxation of co-operatives held in Western Canada, "J.H.G." of the editorial staff of the *Winnipeg Free Press*, stated in part: "The Western Co-operatives have made their case, and they have done it with great skill, with commonsense and with restraint."

"They have supplied the Commission with every fact the Commission has asked for, and they have promised to provide what was not readily available, and the Commission will leave the West with a greater understanding of our economic problems as a result of our sessions here. Private interests, the people who must compete with the co-ops, tended in the main to rely too heavily on argument without adequate reinforcement by cold hard fact."

In Dairy Field

In the co-operative dairy field in Alberta, the principal briefs were those of the Co-operative Milk Company of Calgary, the Southern Alberta Dairy Pool, the Central Alberta Dairy Pool and the Northern Alberta Dairy Pool, given in that sequence. Those who heard the evidence agreed that all of these briefs deserved such a compliment as that of "J.H.G." Below we reproduce the brief of the Central

Alberta Dairy Pool, presented by the General Manager, Ellis A. Johnstone. It contains a survey of the history and policies of the C.A.D.P. that will we are sure prove of great interest to every member.

C.A.D.P. Brief

Introduction

This Association is a producers co-operative, handling milk and cream and some eggs and poultry. Most of the cream delivered by members is manufactured into butter and sold by the Association. The Association also operates a milk condensery at the City of Red Deer in which the milk delivered to it by its members is processed and canned before being placed on the market. The Association also delivers fluid milk in the Towns of Ponoka and Olds.

As is shown in the brief submitted by Northern Alberta Dairy Pool, Limited, the Province of Alberta is divided into three zones, comprising the Northern, Central and Southern areas, for the handling of dairy produce. This Association occupies the central zone.

Origin and History of Association

The General history of co-operative development in the dairy field has been dealt with in the brief submitted by Northern Alberta Dairy Pool, Limited. On February 7th, 1924, the Secretary of the Eclipse Local of the United Farmers of Alberta, No. 166, called a general meeting of cream shippers in the Central area of the Province. The meeting was attended by representatives from as far East as Federal. It appears that the dairy producers who attended that meeting (some 70 in number) were dissatisfied with existing conditions and desired to improve the manner in which their product was marketed. The meeting decided to form a cream shippers association on a contract basis, and as a result Central Alberta Dairy Pool was incorporated on the 18th of August, 1924.

From its incorporation until the end of 1928, the Association carried on an arrangement with Meadow Creamery at Alix operated by Mr. N. A. Larson on a share of profit basis whereby cream produced by its members was delivered to said creamery. Any benefits derived by the Association under that plan were distributed by it to its members in proportion to their deliveries of cream.

Growth of the Association

In February of 1929 the Association purchased the Meadow Creamery at Alix. The purchase price included assumption of a loan amounting to \$38,512.32 which was guaranteed by the Provincial Government under the provisions of the Co-operative Marketing Associations Guarantee Act. This loan has since been retired in full.

In 1935 the Association purchased a creamery at Acme and rented one at Bowden. The Acme plant was sold later to Southern Alberta Dairy Pool,

DEMAND FOR BROILERS

Indications are that the present year will show the greatest demand for poultry meats the Province has ever experienced. Export commitments, especially from the United States, will require at least 30 million pounds of poultry at Grades of A and B during 1945, and sales arrangements have been made at attractive price levels.

Guaranteeing Prices

The market for broilers is so firm that wholesale dealers are now quoting prices guaranteed to August 1st next, covering weights of from 2-1/2 to 3-1/2 pounds live. Experiments show that from 3-1/2 to 4 pounds of feed are required for each 1 pound of gain in broilers. Feed prices are comparative to 1943-44, and prices now quoted on Broiler Meat by grade appear to allow a good margin of profit provided special attention is given to feeding and management. From 12 to 14 weeks will produce desirable weight broilers.

Producers should strive to produce Grade A Milk-fed, Grade B milk-fed or Grade B to realise the best returns. For 1944, Alberta marketed only:

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WATCH THIS PAGE for further information on this subject.

Limited, in 1939. This sale was made pursuant to mutual agreement among the three Dairy Pools whereby each one confines its activities to a particular zone—thus avoiding overlapping and unnecessary duplication of service.

Build Condensery

In 1936 the Association commenced building a condensery at Red Deer which on completion went into operation the 1st of November, 1936. The cost of this undertaking amounted to \$135,000. Of this sum \$45,000 came from the accumulated interest of the members of the Association. The balance of \$90,000 was obtained in the shape of a loan from the Royal Bank of Canada, secured to the extent of \$45,000 by way of a mortgage on the plant and equipment.

In 1941 the Association purchased a creamery at Red Deer from Central Creameries, Limited, and the following year purchased four more creameries at Elnora, Delburne, Stettler and Ponoka. It also purchased the creamery at Bentley which it had been operating under a lease for about a year.

In 1944, the Association purchased creameries at New Norway, Edberg and Olds. During the same year the Association discontinued operating a creamery at Bowden which it held under lease and purchased one at Eckville.

At this time the Association has about completed the erection of a small cold storage plant at Red Deer. This plant is being erected under the terms of the Dominion Government's plan for subsidizing the cost of building cold storage plants at central points. The subsidy is 30 per cent of the cost of building and equipment.

Memorandum and Articles of Association

An examination of the Memorandum and Articles of Association filed herewith will disclose the following salient features:

(a) The Association is empowered to act as receiving agent for and take delivery of milk, cream, butter, cheese and any and all marketable dairy products consigned to it by the members of the Association or others and to buy, handle, grade, classify, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, insure, transport, sell, market and otherwise dispose of and deal in the same or the manufacture or marketing of the by-products thereof and to enter into any contracts or arrangements what-

soever for or incidental to the co-operative selling or marketing of the said dairy products and to act as mercantile agent as defined by the Factor's Act.

(Memorandum of Association, paragraphs 1, 2, 12, Section 3.)

(b) The capital is to consist of an unlimited number of shares of a par value of \$1.00 each.

(Memorandum of Association, Section 4.)

(c) The Association is empowered to pay pro rata to the members of the Association delivering any products the average price secured in the sale of all such products of like kind, subject to such deductions that may be provided for by Marketing Agreement and Articles of Association.

(Memorandum of Association, Section 17, Clause 3.)

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Eight Membership Districts

(d) The area from which membership will be accepted is divided into eight districts and each district is subdivided into sub-districts provided that the sub-districts in any district shall not exceed seven.

(Articles of Association, paragraphs 2 and 3.)

(e) The Powers which may be exercised by the members in general meeting (save the right to vote upon any matter of general concern) are vested in the district delegates.

(Articles of Association, paragraph 4.)

(f) Any producer of dairy commodities may become a member upon executing and delivering to the Association a marketing agreement and paying a membership fee of \$1.00.

(Articles of Association, paragraph 11c.)

(g) Participating Equity Certificates may be issued redeemable according to the priority of the series.

(Articles of Association, paragraph 13c.)

(h) The Association is authorized to make deductions of not more than 2c per pound butterfat received by the Association.

(Articles of Association, paragraph 16.)

(i) The net surplus earnings of the Association shall be held in trust or applied for the benefit of the members.

(Articles of Association, clause 15.)

Marketing Contract

The Association has from its inception to the present time operated on the basis of a standard marketing contract. It has always been the object of the Association to have 100 per cent of its shippers under contract and it has pretty well succeeded in doing so. Not more than 2 per cent of its shippers have failed to complete such a contract. The present membership under contract amounts to approximately 8,000. A copy of the marketing contract is filed herewith and an examination of it will disclose the following important features.

(a) The producer agrees to deliver all cream produced by him to the Association for a period of one year.

(b) The Association is appointed agent and factor within the meaning of the Factor's Act to receive and take delivery of the said cream and to handle and market the same on behalf of its members.

(c) The Association is empowered to borrow money and for that purpose to give security on the said cream.

Participating Certificates

(d) Participating equity Certificates shall be issued annually to producers representing any deductions made as authorized, such certificates to be redeemable at the discretion of the directors.

(e) On voluntary winding up of the affairs of the Association the holders of certificates shall share in any assets in accordance with the priorities established with respect to the said certificates.

(f) All surpluses shall be divided among the members proportionately

to business done with the Association.

(g) The marketing contract shall be deemed to be renewed at the expiration of the yearly period for which it is made, for a further one year and similarly at the expiration of any subsequent year unless notice to the contrary in writing shall have been given.

Business Methods

Following its incorporation in August of 1928 the Association commenced doing business about the 1st of February, 1928, as a cream shippers association under contract with its members. It entered into a profit sharing arrangement with Mr. N. A. Larson who operated the Meadow Creamery at Alix, situated some forty-two miles east of Red Deer. This arrangement worked out in a very satisfactory manner. During the years it operated with Mr. Larson the idea was kept steadily to the fore that the Association would ultimately take over and operate the Meadow Creamery. By 1928 the Association had developed financial strength, which with the assistance given by the Government, enabled it to purchase the Meadow Creamery from Mr. Larson. The creamery at Alix has always been a successful one.

For a period of seven years following 1928 the business of the Association was centered around the creamery at Alix. The area, drawn upon for cream, gradually extended as more shippers became members, with the result that the Meadow Creamery reached its maximum capacity of about two and a quarter million pounds of butter. The butter was sold under two trade names, "Golden Meadow" and "Mayfair", mostly in the city of Vancouver.

Condensery Is Constructed

About 1936 it was learned on good authority that some of the large Eastern concerns were looking over the field in Alberta with a view to the possible establishment of a condensery. The Directors of the Association came to the conclusion that a plant could be arranged and operated successfully. As a result the condensery now operated by the Association at Red Deer was constructed. Its original capacity was for about 150,000 cases containing four dozen one pound cans each. Due to expanding the volume of milk and cream received it was found necessary to increase the capacity of the plant to 300,000 cases.

The condensed milk produced at this plant is sold under the trade name of "Alpha". In addition the plant produces a considerable quantity of condensed milk for two other manufacturers, on their formulae and using their labels. About 40 per cent of the plant's production is in this fashion.

The condensery did not make money at first. It was difficult to establish a market for a new and unknown brand. Until about the middle of 1939 the condensery operated at a loss. It is now, however, operating successfully, turning out about 270,000 cases—in other words, close to its full capacity of 300,000 cases per year.

In 1941 a butter plant was installed at Red Deer as a necessary auxiliary to the condensery operation. By the end of 1943 the Association owned creamery facilities having the capacity to make five million pounds of butter per year operating close to capacity. Starting in the early 30's poultry and eggs were handled in small quantities. That business has since grown to form quite an important part of the Association's total volume of business.

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The autumn of 1944 saw the greatest egg production on record in Canada—a result of early hatching of chicks last spring.

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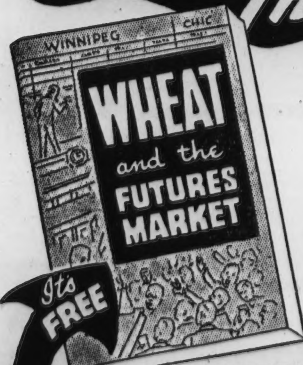
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Mar. 2nd.—Capture announced of German cities of Krefeld, Rheyd, Neuss (suburb of Duesseldorf), Viersen, Dülken, and Netherlands cities of Venlo, Roermond, by Allied forces. Russians cut Stettin-Danzig highway. Allied airmen shoot down at least 62 enemy planes over Germany.

Mar. 3rd.—Russians take Rummelsberg, Pollnow. Americans within four miles Cologne; Germans blow up Rhine bridges in Duesseldorf area.

Mar. 4th.—Americans two miles from Cologne; are within artillery range Krupp armament works, Essen. British in Wesel sector make contact Americans in Geldern area. Russians reach Baltic coast near Kolberg. Small force Nazi bombers makes raid on England, first time since last June; six of attacking force downed. Enemy U-boats said massing in Norwegian ports. British cross Irrawaddy, 20 miles from Mandalay. "Very large" force Superforts bombs Tokyo without loss.

Mar. 5th.—Americans enter Cologne. Hochwald almost cleared of enemy by British, Canadians, in heavy fighting. Oil plants among chief targets Allied air assaults. Russians take Stargard; shell Stettin. Allies score gains on Italian fronts. Of Jap garrison of 20,000 on Iwo, 12,864 said killed, 81 taken prisoner.

Mar. 6th.—Cologne falls. U.S. Third Army advances 25 miles in Coblenz area. Enemy bridgehead west of Rhine, in Wesel area, steadily narrowed. Russians take Cammin, on Stettin Bay. R.A.F. bombs Salzbren by daylight, following night attacks on other cities; U.S. airmen strike Chemnitz. Units of British fleet ready for action in Pacific.

Mar. 7th.—Americans drive within two miles of Bonn; Allied forces within 5 miles Wesel. Russians open drives north and south of Kuestrin, says Berlin. Allied bombers attack widespread oil plants, rail centres.

Mar. 8th.—Americans reach bridge at Remagen, stop Nazis from blowing it up, cross Rhine, establish bridgehead. Russian drive outflanks Kuestrin, reaches Seelow, 25 miles from Berlin, is German report. Following night attacks by 1,250 R.A.F., R.C.A.F. aircraft, 1,350 U.S. bombers take off against Germany.

Mar. 9th.—Remagen bridgehead extended. British take Xanten, on Rhine. Russians enter Kuestrin, second time; other forces within 12 miles of Danzig, 7 miles of Stettin.

Mar. 10th.—Germans bring up tanks against Remagen bridgehead. Wesel pocket reduced to 12 square miles. Americans are 2 miles from Coblenz. Allied bombers give strong support on Western front. Russians drive to outskirts both Danzig, Stettin. Tokyo burns after record attack. Japs seize control all Indo-China.

Mar. 11th.—British, Canadians, drive Germans out of Wesel pocket; west bank of Rhine now in Allied hands from Wesel almost to Coblenz. Americans rush troops, supplies, over pontoon bridges as well as Remagen rail bridge; enlarge bridgehead on east bank. Essen target heavy air blows. Americans land on southwest tip Mindanao (Philippines). Superforts bomb Nagayo, Japan.

Mar. 12th.—Russians take Kuestrin; reach Danzig Gulf 12 miles from Gdynia. Remagen bridgehead now eleven miles long, five miles deep. Stettin, Swinemünde, Dortmund, hard hit by Allied bombers. Americans advance on Mindanao.

Mar. 13th.—Remagen bridgehead now nearly 6 miles deep in places; Germans give stiff opposition. Russians advance towards Berlin between

Calgary Bull Sale Will Benefit from Washington Action

Plans Now Complete for Sale to
Be Held March 19th to 23rd

Relaxation of the Washington order affecting cattle imports has been obtained for the forthcoming Calgary Spring Bull Sale, and, as animals may now be transported into the U.S. without undue restriction, this will add much to the success of the event, state officials.

Plans are now complete for the Sale, to be held on the Exhibition Grounds, March 19th to 23rd. Judging will be done Tuesday morning, March 20th, and Aberdeen Angus bulls will be sold that afternoon; Herefords will be sold Wednesday and Thursday and Shorthorns on Friday. Also offered will be 54 head of high quality females of the three beef breeds.

Consolidation of 240 improvement districts in the Province into 61 enlarge districts, completing the Government's program of enlarging municipal districts, will come into operation April 1st, stated Hon. C. E. Gerhart recently.

Kuestrin and Frankfurt, says Nazi report. Allied air offensive continued, 29th day. Osaka, second largest Jap city, bombed by Superforts.

Mar. 14th.—Russians approaching Gdynia from three sides. Remagen bridgehead now 15 miles long, say Germans. Berlin bombed, 22nd consecutive night; German supply lines targets Allied bombers. Yesterday's bag of prisoners, Western front, 6,600.

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ever, the factors governing hog production, it is stated here, are quite favorable for recovery in the output in the last half of 1945. The 1944 grain harvest was good; there is the certainty that the \$3 and \$2 premiums on grades A and B1 will continue for six months after the war, and there has been the extension of the export bacon agreement through 1946.

Requisitioning for Export

To meet the consistently urgent export demand, regulations have been in effect since January 15th requisitioning for export all Grade A carcasses slaughtered in inspected plants. The requisitioning now includes all Grade B1 carcasses in the West and 65 per cent of those produced in the East. Later on, when there will be the seasonal decline in hog supplies, there will be, it is stated, some changes in these percentages to provide adequate supplies for the domestic market.

Since the beginning of this year, export of Wiltshire sides has been confined to the 50 to 75 lb. range. This will have the effect of putting up Canadian bacon another notch in its position on the British market,

increasing its prestige in post-war trade.

Wartime Sales to Britain

Wartime sales of bacon to Britain have amounted to 2,725,000,000 pounds, with other pork products, in addition, the whole bacon and pork products export having a value of about \$573,000,000. Unfortunately, export bacon this year up to February 10th, slightly over a month ago, amounted to only 77,000,000 lbs. compared with 123,000,000 in the same period of 1944. It rests on the shoulders of the Canadian farmer to check the decline and bring production back to previous levels.

Trend in Cattle Marketings

Marketings of beef cattle have followed an opposite trend. Up to February 24th from the first of the year slaughtering have amounted to 270,489 head compared with 175,867 in the same period of 1944, an increase across Canada of 53.8 per cent. Western Canada, with a 1945 figure of 164,046 head, showed an increase of 57.6 per cent.

There is, fortunately, not the same congestion in stock yards that was experienced last year. The cattle slaughtering for the full year 1944 were 1,354,000 head, a new high water mark. A conservative estimate for 1945 is put at 1,500,000. It may run quite a bit higher. The bureau of statistics has not yet issued a statement on the number of cattle on Canadian farms on December 1st, but basing estimates on the June 1st figure of 10,300,000 head it is believed that the December figure will show a peak in cattle population.

All surplus beef is being set aside for freezing for the export account of the Meat Board, the amount this year up to February 17th, being 37,939,348 lbs., the equivalent of 83,958 head of cattle. It is stated that good progress has been made in preparing the canned meat allotment of 20,000,000 pounds for UNRRA to be forwarded as part of the relief measures for starving people in Europe. Beef is the primary ingredient of this allotment.

Main Feature in Eastern Picture

The main feature of the entire agricultural situation in Eastern Canada this winter has been the abnormal snowfall. It hampered traffic on roads off the main highways. The snow is now disappearing quite rapidly, and there is one especially good feature about the present position. The ground was not frozen solidly when the snow fell, and the water, it is stated, has not all been flowing away, but has been sinking to some extent into the ground, improving the prospects for seed germination.

The whole agricultural industry has of course been suffering from the general transportation difficulties caused by the heavy demands for munitions and equipment on the Western front. Shipments for the war fronts must naturally have priority. The same troubles are encountered in the United States, and when our railway cars move across the border with loads for American war plants, they sometimes move about under requisition to many plants in the U.S. before they make their appearance again on this side. The strain on transport facilities certainly creates a difficult situation for Canadian agriculture, even if it is entirely unavoidable.

Repeat Germination Tests Is Advice

Farmers who made home germination tests earlier in the season and obtained poor results should re-test, recommends Dr. K. W. Neatby, Line Elevators Farm Service, in a recent bulletin. This year, he writes, owing to peculiar weather conditions, a good many samples, particularly of oats, have remained dormant longer than usual. Pre-chilling, which usually "breaks" the dormancy, has not always been completely effective; re-testing, after further pre-chilling, has increased the germination, sometimes by a wide margin.

THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD FARMERS' BULLETIN

MAPLE SYRUP SALES

There are no major changes in prices or in the method of rationing maple syrup and maple sugar this year. Maple butter has been removed from the ration and will be coupon free the same as maple wax (1a tire) and maple cream. Maximum prices per Imperial gallon for sales of maple syrup direct to consumers, in screw top metal containers, f.o.b. nearest shipping point are:

Ungraded syrup.....	\$2.40	Canadian Medium Grade	\$2.90
Canada Dark Grade....	\$2.65	Canada Light Grade....	\$3.15

Price will be 25c less if sold in bulk. If sold by grade, the grade must be clearly marked on container; otherwise price for ungraded syrup applies. Grading must be in accordance with the Maple Industry Act and the colormeter approved by Federal Department of Agriculture.

A premium of 25c per gallon over the "Canada Light" price has been fixed for syrup grading "Fancy".

MAPLE SUGAR:—Maximum selling prices per pound are:

Loose-packed in bags or other containers, commonly known as "farmer's run".....	.22
½, 1, 2 or 4 lb. blocks (Ungraded).....	.35
Maple wax (1a tire), maple butter and maple cream..	.35

COUPONS:—Until May 31, one preserves coupon covers purchase of one quart (40 fluid ounces) maple syrup, or 2 lbs. maple sugar. Maple butter, maple wax and maple cream are not rationed. After May 31 one preserves coupon will be good for 24 ounces of maple syrup.

A farmer may use his own maple products on his own premises without surrendering coupons. He must collect coupons for all direct sales of rationed maple products off the farm, and forward coupons to his Local Ration Board.

MAIL ORDERS:—Loose coupons must not be accepted with mail orders. In exchange for four preserve coupons a special voucher, covering purchase of one gallon of maple syrup, can be obtained from Local Ration Board. Producers must not ship syrup unless this voucher accompanies order.

Vouchers received by producers may not be transferred, exchanged, negotiated or deposited and should be forwarded to Local Ration Boards by 10th of each month in postage-free Farmer's Envelope, RB-61, together with coupons and other valid ration documents from other maple product sales.

POTATO STORAGE CHARGES

Order A-1430 setting ceiling prices for table stock potatoes provides that storage charges may be added to the ceiling prices in each zone commencing November 1, 1944. Total storage allowances which may be added for the period from March 1 to April 1 are 20 cents per 75-pound bag; 27 cents per 100-pound bag.

NO HAY EXPORT PERMITS

Because of domestic needs, no further permits are being granted for the export of hay from the 1944 crop. Farmers who have supplies and pressers are requested to do all they can to get their hay to the domestic market so that those engaged in industries essential to the war effort are not handicapped.

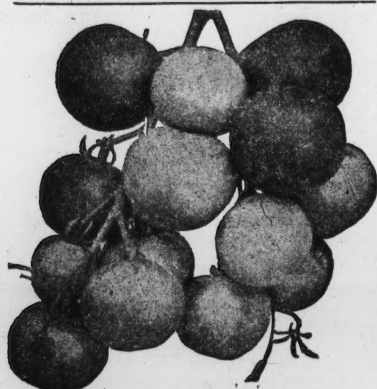
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Interests of The United Farm Women

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Dear Farm Women:

Last evening as I sat here alone, I was made glad, made sad, made indignant all from the same source.

I was listening to Mr. Brockington's radio address, and I am sure many of you were doing the same thing. The kindly content, the beautiful English of his addresses make them indeed a radio high-light of the week. His name has but to appear and many people make it a signal for listening in. And surely some of his addresses delivered in other countries will make for greater good will toward Canada. Most of us have heard some he has given in the United States, and we can count on it that elsewhere they were as effective.

And I was made glad as I listened to think that the men and boys at the front were given such special dental care. No obstacle seemed to insurmountable, no difficulty in serving them too great to be overcome. And everyone must experience that same sense of gladness that in the midst of the death and dirt and destruction in their lives it is being done for them.

From Indifference to Sudden Interest

But I was saddened to think of the folly of our civilization today. We wait until we have these boys and men physically fit, until there is every possibility they will soon lose their lives, or until they are in some way connected with killing and being killed. Then we suddenly take this great interest in their teeth. While going about their regular routine work in the shops, on the farms, in the offices, in the homes, the matter of their teeth was one of absolute indifference to us. Those of us who could afford to go to dentists, went. Those who could not, had their teeth decay, with the resultant ill-effects to their health and to their appearance. Often their defect brought them painful self-consciousness and so detracted from their pleasure in life.

But I was made glad when I realized a different attitude is beginning to creep into our society. The children at some schools are now having dental care, the result of which will go a long way in helping them as adults.

Also I feel sure that all these people who have had the advantage of this dental care are not going to sit quietly by in the future and see the same thing happen again. Possibly we as a people are going to be stirred and say, "Never again", for it has been demonstrated so the most blind can see, the most deaf can learn, that it was a national handicap to let things go as they were.

And I was made indignant—not at the dentists—although probably it will be some time yet before a trip to the dentist is one of the anticipated pleasures in life—but at ourselves. We, the people, are alone to blame, and it always eases our feelings a little if we can blame something or someone else.

Yours sincerely,
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

A study of births among native white and foreign-born women in the U.S. shows that while in 1920 the birth rate was about one and a half times higher among the foreign-born women, by 1940 the rates were almost the same in the two groups.

Dry weather has curtailed Cuban sugar prospects, but Brazil reports another large sugar crop and sugar production in Argentina in the current season is estimated at 12 per cent higher than that of 1932-44.

HEALTH "STUDY KIT"

For the convenience of groups or individuals wishing to study national health planning, and health insurance, a "Study Kit" has been prepared by the Health Study Bureau, 30 Bloor Street West, Toronto, and will be sent postpaid for the nominal charge of 25 cents. It includes "Health on the March," outlining the proposals of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture; "Planning for Health", a National Farm Radio Forum pamphlet commenting on the Draft Bill for health insurance; a bulletin on the Draft Bill; and an address by Hon. Walter Nash, entitled "Social Security in New Zealand".

U.F.W.A. Local News

A White Elephant Sale and Bingo party was arranged recently by Stony Plain U.F.W.A.

Bismark U.F.W.A. (Lacombe) reports that \$78 was cleared from the dance and basket social held jointly with the U.F.A.

In addition to doing Red Cross work, members of Hillside U.F.W.A. have turned in 37 articles to the Wetaskiwin Hospital.

A quiz on the U.F.W.A., conducted by Annie Bracken, was enjoyed at a recent meeting of Roosevelt U.F.W.A. (Woolford).

Kia-Ora U.F.W.A. decided to use money donated in memory of a former member, Mrs. Woods, to pack a parcel for a prisoner of war.

A whist drive and Dutch Auction, at the home of Mrs. M. S. Halwa, brought in \$24 for Picardville U.F.W.A., on one of the coldest evenings of the winter.

Mrs. June Hoppins was appointed by Loyalty U.F.W.A. (Huxley) liaison officer to the Women's Regional Advisory Committee W.P.T.B., and was also made Junior Supervisor.

Each member of Progressive U.F.W.A. (Lacombe) takes home from each meeting materials for one article to be knit or made up for the Red Cross. The sum of \$48.24 was cleared from a sale.

The last meeting of Arrowwood U.F.W.A. opened with a Pot Luck lunch for members and their children; at another recent meeting three Red Cross quilts were quilted during the afternoon, and plans were made for members to spend a day at the Hall, doing Red Cross work.

The final card party of the winter series, with presentation of prizes and a special lunch, will be held March 27th, writes Mrs. N. D. Lehman, secretary of Camrose U.F.W.A. A Seed Exchange will be held in April; and the Local will sponsor a delegate to Farm Young People's Week.

"Tribute to Robert Gardiner", by Mrs. Isa Grindlay Jackson in The Leader, was read to the last meeting of Starline U.F.W.A. by Mrs. Taitinger. Mrs. Fenton reported on the Convention. A card party and bean supper was arranged, to raise funds, and the Local volunteered to assist in mending linen for the Clareshem hospital.

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A tea and sale of home cooking,
in aid of the Prisoners of War Fund,
and a talk and demonstration on
Handicrafts, by Miss Hogg, were held
recently by Okotoks U.F.W.A.; a
joint social evening with the U.F.A.
was also arranged.

At the last meeting of Energetic
U.F.W.A., a parcel was despatched
to "our adopted soldier", and Mrs.
Campbell gave a very practical talk
on growing flowers. Recently Mrs.
E. Swanson gave a bridge party in
aid of the Local funds.

Jenny Lind U.F.W.A. are setting
up a Hospital Fund, a committee to
be charged with the task of buying
needed articles for Brooks Hospital
as funds permit. Letters are sent
from the Local to boys and girls in
the services, members drawing names
at each meeting.

The Dominion Forestry Nursery
Station at Indian Head distributed
to farmers a yearly average of 180,732
evergreens and 2,543,141 broadleaf
trees during the years 1939 to 1943.

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flies and the glare of the sun, in the
desert.

Junior News Items

Horse Hill Juniors are making plans
to send delegates to the Farm Young
People's Week, and are holding a dance
to raise funds for the purpose.

A basket social to raise funds for
delegates' expenses raised \$57.25 for
Scandia Juniors; an ice carnival was
also arranged, in aid of the same fund.

Pictures taken in the Morrin district
and around Banff were shown at the
recent reorganization meeting of Mor-
rin Junior U.F.A., and Bill Waters
and John Storch gave reports of the
U.F.A. Convention in Edmonton. Bill
Waters was elected president of the
Local by acclamation, Marie Notland
vice-president and Helen Storch sec-
retary.

Britain is undertaking to care for
Dutch children between the ages of
8 and 15, who are being evacuated
from the flooded areas, where they
have been suffering from hunger and
cold.

Total gross farm value of Canadian
field crops last year, from 62,732,550
acres, is estimated by the Dominion
Bureau of Statistics at \$1,288,058,000.
This is, however, exclusive of oil seed
crops, other than flaxseed.

Farm Home and Garden

Swedish Buns: Dissolve 1 Fleisch-
man's yeast cake in 1 cup warm water.
Cream 1/2 cup shortening with 1/3 cup
sugar and 1 egg; add yeast, 3 cups
flour, and 1 tsp salt. Let rise over-
night; in the morning, divide into
18 or 24 pieces (depending on size of
bun required), roll like sausages and
tie; let rise double in bulk, bake in
hot oven.

Peanut Butter Frosting: Cream
2 tbs. butter, blend in 1/4 cup peanut
butter, gradually add 1/2 cup corn
syrup and mix thoroughly. Spread
on cake when cold.

Noodle Creole: Cook 1-1/2 cups
noodles in boiling salted water until
tender, about 15 minutes; drain and
rinse in cold water. Melt 2 tbs. mild-
flavored fat, add 3/4 cup chopped onion
and saute; add 1/2 lb. minced steak
and brown; add 1 cup tomato soup,
salt and pepper. Arrange noodles and
meat mixture in layers in greased
casserole, sprinkle with 1/2 cup buttered
breadcrumbs.

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allow at least 6 inches between bulbs.
Cultivate to keep down weeds and
retain moisture. After heavy frosts,

in the fall, dig bulbs, and store in a
cool, dry, frost-proof place. (Again
this year *The Leader* is offering a
collection of 15 bulbs with new and
renewal subscriptions.)

Canning sugar allowance in Canada
will be the same in 1945 as last year,
10 pounds per person. However, in
view of the world sugar situation, the
regular sugar ration is being reduced

by two pounds per year per person,
and the quota for industrial users,
hotels and restaurants, was cut from
80 per cent to 70 per cent of their
1941 consumption, at the first of the
year.

More than 3,000 soldiers worked
an average of 25 days each to help
get in the Canadian harvest last year.

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Mar. 19—CONTROLLING CATTLE DISEASES.

Dr. P. R. Talbot

Mar. 21—COST OF IMPROVING BUSH LAND.

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Mar. 23—SPRING CARE OF BEE HIVES.

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Mar. 26—LEARNING TO LIVE WITH THE LAND.

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Open market prices will be paid by the Federal Government for Canadian wheat bought to fill requirements under mutual aid, states an Ottawa despatch.

Millions of head of livestock are said to be threatened with starvation by the drought in Australia and by the lack of shipping to bring in grain.

BEET GROWERS DEMAND ASSISTANCE

Until assistance is forthcoming from the Federal Government, in the form of remission of the one-cent per pound excise tax on sugar produced in this country, Alberta Sugar Beet Growers will not negotiate contracts for the 1945 sugar beet crop. A resolution to this effect was carried by a substantial majority at the recent annual convention held in Lethbridge.

New Secretary



JAMES R. McFALL

who this month takes over his new duties as Secretary-Treasurer of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, succeeding E. W. Brunsten, now manager of the Eastern Irrigation District.

Resolution in Assembly Expresses Opposition to Taxation of Co-operatives

Opposing taxation of co-operatives, the resolution below has been moved in the Alberta Legislative Assembly by Elmer E. Roper, a member for Edmonton and leader of the C.C.F., and seconded by Aylmer Liesmer, C.C.F. member for Calgary. As this is written the vote on the resolution has not been taken. Solon Low, Social Credit Member for Warner and the Federal party leader, was the next speaker in the debate.

"Whereas, co-operative associations are non-profit associations formed to provide service for their members and patrons at cost, and,

"Whereas, any surplus that may arise in the operation of co-operatives represents an overcharge in the process of providing such services, and is returnable to the co-operative member based on the extent of his patronage;

"Be it resolved that in the opinion of this Legislative Assembly, savings of Co-operative Associations, effected through co-operative action, belong to the individual members, and as such, should not be subject to income or excess profit tax while in the hands of the co-operative, and further, that this Assembly would strongly protest any attempt to impose taxation on such savings"

Mr. Low this week moved an amendment accepting the preamble but stating the Provincial Government "had consistently fostered and encouraged" co-operatives, but declaring "crushing and unscientific" taxation is detrimental to business of all kinds in Canada. Mr. Low said the Alberta Government does not believe in "throwing in its lot with any particular form of business against another."

The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

On Feb. 1 the total supply of Canadian wheat available for export or carryover was 492.1 million bushels as compared with 546.2 million bushels on the same date a year previous. Exports of Canadian wheat from August 1st to February 1st totalled 138.5 million bushels as compared with 152.6 millions for the first six months of the 1943-44 crop year. The main reason for the decline of 18 million bushels in export was the reduced volume of Canadian wheat taken by the United States. Says the *Monthly Review of the Wheat Situation*, February issue: "It is going to be increasingly difficult to keep close to last year's rate of exports since American imports were running very high during the latter half of the crop year. Wheat exports for 1943 totalled 283.2 million bushels and another 60.5 million bushels were exported as flour, making a total of 343.7 million bushels."

The following is a statistical summary of the Canadian supply position with comparative figures for the previous year.

	1944-45	1943-44
(million bushels)		
Carryover in North America, July 31	355.1	594.6
New crop	435.5	284.5
Total supply	790.6	879.1
Estimated domestic requirements	160.0	180.3
Available for export or carryover	630.6	698.8
Deduct:		
Net exports of wheat as grain, Aug.-Jan. 31	110.9	125.9
Flour exports in terms of wheat Aug.-Jan. 31	27.6	26.7

Total exports wheat and flour 138.5 152.6
Balance on Feb. 1 for export or carryover 492.1 546.2

Australia Abandons Quota Plan

In Australia the 1944 crop is now estimated at 152 million bushels from 8.3 million acres. The government has advanced the initial price to 75 cents a bushel at the farm. It has abandoned the quota plan which provided for payment of 72 cents at sidings for the first three thousand bushels and the advance of 53 cents in excess of the first three thousand bushels. It has aimed to raise Australia's wheat acreage for 1945 to 11 million acres. The normal yield of 12 bushels to the acre would result in a crop of 135 million bushels. Due to lack of phosphate fertilizers it is hardly likely that a yield much in excess of 12 bushels can be obtained. Australian soil is deficient in phosphorus.

In the United States main winter wheat belt crop prospects are promising, normal fall and winter rainfall having been experienced after a wet spring and summer in 1944. Kansas, which normally produces about 125 million bushels of winter wheat, or over a fifth of the average winter wheat crop in the United States, now has prospects of a crop of over 200 million bushels on a seeded acreage of 13.6 million acres.

Urge Pharmaceutical Corps for Army

Declaring that handling of drugs in the armed forces is being carried on to a considerable extent by untrained men, the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association is urging the formation of a Pharmaceutical Corps, on the same basis as medical, dental and nursing corps now in existence. The proposal is winning strong support in many quarters.

Gross value of Alberta's agricultural products in 1944 is estimated by the Provincial Government at \$407,000,000.

Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Mar. 13th.—With prices steady on good quality butchers, there was just fair action on the cattle market during the week. Bulk of good to choice steers traded \$11.25 to \$11.75, two cars of strictly choice weighty steers realizing \$12. Good to choice heifers sold at from \$10.25 to \$10.75; good cows realized \$8.50 to \$9; bulls were unchanged at \$5.50 to \$7.50. Stockers and feeders of suitable quality in fair demand, good steers from \$8.50 to \$9.50, heifers \$8 down and cows \$6.50 down. Veal calves strong \$11.50 to \$12, heavy and common kinds \$10 down. Sizeable hogs steady, Grade A \$16.35, B1 \$15.95, sows \$11.25 on yards, \$10.65 at plants, liveweight. Lambs firmer, good handyweights \$12.25 to \$12.75.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS.—Mar. 13th.—Cattle market active at steady prices. Hogs sold last \$16.50 Grade A yards and plants, sows \$11.50 liveweight. Good handyweight lambs \$13.50, good to choice butcher steers \$11.25 to \$12, down to \$9; good to choice butcher heifers \$10.50 to \$11.50, down to \$9; cows \$8.25 to \$9.25, down to a low of \$6.25. Cannors and cutters \$4 to \$6, good bulls \$7.75 to \$8.25, down to \$6.50. Good to choice veal calves \$11 to \$12, down to \$8.50. Good stocker and feeder steers \$9.50 to \$10.50, down to \$8 for common kinds.

The Dairy Market

Butter prices throughout Canada remain at the ceiling, 35 cents. Local buttermilk is 32c plus the subsidy of 10c.

Vancouver solids—35c.

U.F.A. Meetings

Under the direction of H. J. Flock, U.F.A. Director for the Lethbridge area, a series of U.F.A. organization meetings has been arranged as follows:

Foremost: Wednesday, Mar. 21st, 8 p.m.
Taber: Thurs., Mar. 22nd, 2:30 p.m.
White School: S.E. Lethbridge, Fri., Mar. 23rd, 2:30 p.m.
Crystal Lake School: E. Lethbridge, Fri., Mar. 23rd, 8 p.m.
Masinasin School, Milk River: Sat., Mar. 24th, 8 p.m.
Picture Butte: Mon., Mar. 26th, 8 p.m.
Vauxhall: Tues., Mar. 27th, 8 p.m.
Rainier: Wed., Mar. 28th, 8 p.m.
Patricia: Thurs., Mar. 29th, 8 p.m.

The U.F.A. Co-operative moving picture machine will show a colored travel film of the Peace River area, some comedies and the film on co-operatives, "Here is Tomorrow".

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By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE,
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Replies to Inquiries

Position of Landlord

V.C.—Your position as Landlord depends entirely upon the terms of your letter of November 19th, and any further letter will probably not affect your position one way or the other. However, it will certainly do you no harm to notify your tenant again when you want possession of the farm.

Matter of Will

E.M.—By his Will the Testator simply declares how he wants his own property distributed after his death, and subject to certain Statutory protection given to a wife, the Testator can distribute his property in any way he sees fit. Under the circumstances set out in your letter I cannot see that "B" has any claim whatsoever.

Assessment for Separate School

M.S.—Where a separate school has been formed by either Roman Catholic or Protestant minority, the electors establishing the separate school are liable to assessment for the support of that school. Other persons are assessed for the public schools. Each elector is supposed to send his children to the school for which he is assessed.

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Unanimous Vote Against Taxing Co-operatives

REGINA, Sask. — *Co-operatives should not be made liable to income or excess profits tax, nor should savings in the hands of co-operatives be taxed, states a resolution passed unanimously by the Saskatchewan Legislature, in session here.*

Farmers can obtain loans up to \$3,000, at 5 per cent simple interest, for periods up to ten years, under the Farm Improvement Loans Act. Passed last session, the Act was recently brought into operation.

The guaranteed initial price of wheat will be \$1.25 per bushel again during the 1945-46 crop year, states Hon. J. A. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce, and wheat marketings will be limited to 14 bushels per authorized acre.

HOG PRODUCTION (Continued from page 1)

Present Situation "Alarming"

Describing the present situation as "alarming", Mr. Allen pointed out that in 1944 Alberta produced approximately 3,000,000 hogs worth slightly less than \$80,000,000, roughly the equivalent of "the combined amounts which Albertans were asked to subscribe in the last two victory loans." This remarkable stepping up of production came in response to the urgent request of the British Government. Price increases on hogs which at the time made production attractive were part of the campaign of encouragement which ended in Alberta breaking all past records.

Then, Mr. Allen's statement to *The Western Farm Leader* went on, "Federal Government policy changed, grain prices were increased, marketing restrictions on grain were eased up, and most astonishing of all, a new contract for the supply of pork products to Britain was concluded for an apparently smaller amount than the previous contract had called for. There was some talk in Ottawa of the dangers that might come from an over supply of hogs in Canada, at the end of the British contract."

The farmer consequently felt that he was being cautioned not to overdo hog production. Sharp decline followed.

Mr. Pearsall's own statement, added Mr. Allen, showed that "it is futile for local governments, producer organizations or the packing plants to attempt to check the present trend of decreased hog production, unless the Federal Government gives a definite lead," putting into effect conditions Mr. Pearsall had outlined, including "the assurance of a regular market supply of hogs year in and year out."

Mr. Allen said it was most unfortunate that coincident with the Federal Government's statement re hard and fast wheat quota limits was the announcement "that there would be an additional 18 cents per bushel added to the \$1.25 initial price for the 1943-44 crop", while "further back was the 10 to 15 cents bonus added to the price of coarse grains without an accompanying equal lift in hog prices."

In general "every encouragement has been given the farmer to dispose of his grain at good prices, without giving equal encouragement to hog production." Thus the farmer was confused and confirmed in the opinion that it would be better "to market his grain through the elevator than to assume a burden of extra labor and market a part of it through hogs."

Provided the Federal Government should give a lead, however, Mr. Allen said—"something more than an expression of hope" that the farmers won't go out of pigs—Alberta producers "should make a real effort to reverse the downward trend. It is obviously in their own interests to do so."

After the war, wheat surpluses would

Pool Payments Held Up

There will be no payment of patronage dividends by the Alberta Wheat Pool this spring. Neither will there be any purchase of reserves. Nothing can be done in this regard until the federal government makes a decision on the question of taxing co-operatives.

For some years past the Alberta Wheat Pool has been issuing substantial sums in the form of patronage dividends and for the purchase of reserves at about this time of the year. Members who may be looking forward to the same will undoubtedly be disappointed to hear that these payments will not be forthcoming. Until it is made clear whether the federal government will tax such earnings or not these payments will have to be held up. If it is decided to tax the earnings the amount of the payment will be lessened by the amount of the tax.

Alberta Wheat Pool

tend to become chronic; there would certainly not be an unlimited market for coarse grains, and a greater diversity of farm production in Alberta would become imperative.

Opportunity Before Producers

"There is before Canadian livestock producers, at the moment", stated Mr. Allen, "a remarkable opportunity to establish themselves in the British

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22.00	15.00	7.50	W.L. Pul.	31.00	16.00 8.00
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We see by the papers that Egg production in Canada is likely to be increased this year. That's not surprising, with a general election in the offing.

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Today as I walked
Without direction,
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Alone in the night,
What else could know
But a traffic light?
It had sought at length
Some eternal love,
My own lacked the strength
Of even a dove.

Neither fortune nor fame
Fulfilled its desire,
They're part of my name
So soon to expire
There remains but a leaf
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Oh, well, sighs Knotty Frankie, if the Allies get into any difficulties at the Peace Table, they can always send for Dorothy Thompson.

Of course, says the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest, the Conservatives had to run a candidate in North Grey just in case.

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—George Nelson in the Sunday Pictorial, London.

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